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Miscellaneous.

STORY OF A WOMA , SELIPPER.

I found it at the fat of a fock, beside an old forsaken so maili, originally the prettest bit of adjecte bronze kid in the world, through a piece of woodland, and along the ornar anted with a coquettish velvet resette, margin of a bright little pond, stopping by now bespattered and bespangled with the way to gather berries and flowers, until ent of clay, and with a slight rent on the left | Georgianna's hands and lap were full. She numeter, as though the foot it once encased | was busy arranging them just as we came out and torn theelf away by violence, and left the on the old road, close by the saw mill. At | yet it is now 36 years since that happy time. histic thing to perish. It was a mute appeal sight of the great wheel she gave a bit of a start, and creed out with pretty eagerness: fished it out of the obstinate mire, with the ivory eagle's beak that tips my walking stick, and proceeded to wipe away the dis-

figuries marks of its dishoner with my untion of its peculiar beauties. The great-mill-wheel was tufted with yellow moss; it At first the traces of decay with its ten ier fingers. | give them up." Slipper in my hand. I am somewhat given awkward embarrassment. to dreaming, in moments of idleness, and so, | There was a letter at the office for Miss as I turned the latter article over and over it | Georgiana Effingham, brought forth from some inner shrine of my heart a certain ideal woman, of whom I had been long enamored, and slipped it on her foot. It fitted to a T. My lady-the ideal | blue silk gown. was a small creature, a Titania in fact, crowned with sunny hair that rippled and can hold your bequet and drive too." floated over her dimpled cheeks and fair shoulders ; she had the softest of blue eyes, the dewiest of lips, the loveliest of hands : cheeks flushed—not blowzed—her hips pont-ing with vexation as the mud-embedded had a grieved look about the mouth and eyes slipper refused to return to its allegiance; and so vivid was my laney I was on the point | I was off the next morning before sunrise |

daring; and now she has sprained her-her -do look at it, Doctor." In a moment the delicate ankle was shrinking

Effingham's voice smote upon my innocent did not know how to say no. Psha ! that disgusting cigar ! Georgie,

love, does it make you faint?" Not in the least, mamma; I like it." "It must be that young Stebbins. I'm I am going away to-morrow morning." She up his head,

proper treatment with your ankle. I don't surprise. " He was gentle enough," in a sleepy tone from Miss Georgianne.

Hum! I don't like his brusque manner; evidently unused to society; came in this said I pointedly. morning in a linen blouse and no neckerchief.

and his hair all over his ears." "Then I shall just like him, mamma! 1 never could endure your prins men. To-mor- terribly lonesome." o my room to muse on the shock my vanity

row I shall look at him-but I am going to sleep now." And as she drowsed off I retired gianna from the chaise, carried her up stairs ent subject. had received. Georgianne Effingham was a beautiful young woman; but having admitted that I

am neither artist nor poet, no one will anticipate a minute description of her charms. It is sufficient to say, that at the first glance I had of her face, I struck my colors; blue eyed Hebe vanished, and graceful, living. reathing Diana floated into her niche. Mrs. Effingham would, henceforth, have

made a capital chairman of a Vigilance Committe. She was bland as a June morning, unruffled as a pond by moonlight, soft as a zophyr, but neither motion, giance nor whisper escaped her twinking green eyes. To orgin with, she wasn't half pleased with Dick Stebbins, ride colloquy with Georgianne above mentioned; but when she found his professional calls assumed the character of unprofessional visits, and the chess-board was brought into requisition, and sundry volumes of poeiry and prose, and boquets of wild flowers followed in rapid succession, she be came seriously alarmed. What in the world was a young man worth who persisted in wearing linen coats and no moustache! I able to walk down stairs.

Our good host fitted up the team, a veritable, one-horse thay, tackled to the meekest | both slippers ! of old animals, warranted safe in harness and | I stayed. free from tricks. It was near sunset of a charming day, and Miss Effingham was in the gayest of moods. We drove circuitously

down there; please get me some! they are just what I want to set off these pale

"How can you know, Georgie?" You per-I suppose I had passed this old mill a score ceive I had slipped up along through the of times during the past three weeks, and Miss Effingham, Miss Georgianna, Miss yet I had never given it more than a careless Georgie, until I had reached the pleasant glance until this very serene and sultry summit, Georgie, and was in blissful antic-August morning, when the cool even sounds | ipation of that notch of felicity when the of dropping water invited a closer investiga- name should be prefixed by the possessive

At first she blushed; then raising her rat up and down the rough boards; it peered | frank dark eyes to mine; she said, with rom between crevices; it overhung the roof; | charming naivete, "I've been here before. it twined itself around the stump of an aged | Somewhere down by the great rock I sprainelm, playfully determined to get the upper and lost a luckless slipper. I hand of everything unsightly, and to cover was after cardinal-flowers then, but had to

There was also an abundance of drooping Thic was just the moment I had anticipated for the last ten days. I had planned collect my first morning, when trying to Thie was just the moment I had anticidren call them, and a long line of stately half-a-dozen of nice speeches to be used on catch the calves and get my yoke on, how cardinal flowers, magnificent in their robes | the occasion; more than once I had dreamed | they were stronger than myself, and how | Post-office Department, if unclaimed, two of bright crimson. I am neither artist nor of it; and yet now it had come, I was hopepoet, and yet I experienced a very agreeable lessly, totally dumb. Georgianna waited on and said nothing, until it was near my except in cases where letters are directed to sensation of inward satisfaction as I surveyed | while I went for the flowers : she received | school hour (for I then went to school daily), | scaports for persons on board designated vesthe dropping water, the huge mill-wheel, them with beaming smiles, and prattled away and I had not even got the yoke on one of my sels expected to arrive; and, also, where let- "abolitionist" as a term of repreach to every the clinging moss, the gay flowers, and the as artlessly as though I were not in a fever of

> "From Harry!" she cried enthusiastically. "I'm so glad his ship is in !" and she pushed the missive down into the little pocket of her "You might read!" said I, tartly. "I

the double pleasure of anticipation, and-"

that made me ashamed of myself.

ribbons fluttered out at the window. "That child is crazy," said she. "What spreads himself before the fire. The Eng-in the world did you let her ride off for? lishman lets himself out of the lumbering

No. 5 did not occur to my mind until Mrs. and we used to have such splendid rides, I It was too much for frail flesh and blood to bear; but I succeeded in swallowing my indignation, and said carnestly: "I am glad I met you Miss Effingham, for

worried to death lest he shouldn't pursue the turned her eyes upon my face with sorrowful Going away !" she repeated. "I thought alike here. you were to stay till the middle of September.

Pray don't go. "You will scarcely miss me now," said I.

"Indeed, I shall," cried she. "Harry leaves in the morning to see after his ship, and won't be back for a week. We shall be We were at the hotel door. I lifted Geor-

and laid her upon the sofa. Mrs. Effingham was out. I drew the little slipper from my pocket and put it in her hand. She looked up in my face and I thought her woman's wit read everything I couldn't say, for her glorious eyes dropped, and a tear fell upon the tiny velvet resette.

I retreated to my rooms, and busied myself packing, humming meanwhile all the senti mental songs I knew. In the evening I went out on the balcony and paced back and forth, faintly hoping to catch a glimpse of Georgie's soit shadow on the curtain. It was evident I had lost her—the only woman I had ever loved, and for the first time I realized what such a loss must be. I leaned over the railing and covered my face to shut out the bright moon light. I heard no step, but at the same moment a soft hand fluttered down upon mine and a dear voice whis

"You didn't bid me good bye, Dick." her tearful eyes and tremulous lips. I don't first stipulating to to be found in hair powremember what I said, only I know it was der, and (on state occasions) silk stockings, nothing very wise; neither am I able to re- gloves and bouquets—that he should expect enjoyed her exceedingly, kept my own counsel, persisted in beguiling the tedium of Miss Georganne's confinement by every means in my power, and made a final coup d'etat by taking her out for a drive as soon as she was taking her out for a drive as soon as she was taking her out for a drive as soon as she was taking her out for a drive as soon as she was taking her white forehead, she said, archly, to kiss her white forehead, she said, archly,

"If you will stay, Dick, you shall have eas, and I'll come and live with you!" then, oth slippers!"

HOW I BROKE STEERS, WHEN I WAS A BOY.

When a boy, it was one of my greatest pleasures to yoke up and break in a pair of young steers. I recollect my first yoke, and how I trained them, just as distinctly as if My first pair of steers were, like myself, my bows were of hickory saplings. A neigh- must not exceed eight ounces. my second yoke I would require just as much | three cent rates, showing as in the first. I think they were correct, for I have made many a yoke and

Well, the next day came in due course,

fastens his horses, runs to the house and

uressing gown, to enjoy a cigar and the starlight, and dream of the possibilities arising
trom the bit of a slipper that lay helpless in
my pocket. I am ready to affirm that the
thought of per windows or the vicinity of
thought of open windows or the vicinity of
the object of the possibilities arising in the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
We would advise the readers of the was or
ing the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
where the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
the billiards. We then come up with anothing the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
where the billiards and to have gone; she said time
the billiards. We then come up with anothing the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
where the billiards and the structure of the principal mations of Europe.

Mr. Marsh's accomplishments in public of the structure of the man was extremely affected and the presentative to the principal mation. With this we get the walls of the structure of the man was extremely affected and the man was extremely affected and the proposition of our country will require at learning the discourse of Rev. Mr. Van Dyke.—
We would advise the readers of this discourse of Europe.

Mr. Marsh's accomplishments in public or report and a demand for another appropriation. With this we get the walls of the structure of the man was extremely affected and the man was extremely affected and or the man was extremely affected and the determined to lower him a little.

" Well, my good fellow," said he, " what, you want a lackey's place, do you?" "I came about an upper footman's situa-

" Indeed, my lord," exclaimed this upper

footman, with an air of shocked dignity, "what department, then, am I to consider myself expected to fill?" Department, department! queth my

lord, in a tone of inquiry.

In what capacity, my lord?

teon? ·Oh, you mean if you take the place. understand you now,' rejoined my lord;

why, you are to do everything but sweep the chimneys and clean the pig-sties and those I do myself. The 'gentleman' stared, scarcely knowing what to make of this, and seemed to wish himself out of the room; he, however, grinned a ghastly smile, and, after a short pause, inquired. 'What salary does your

lordship give?" 'Salary ' salary ' reiterated his incorrigible lordship; 'don't know the word, don't know the word, my good man.' Again the gentleman explained, "I mean,

what wages!

"Oh! what wages," echoed my lord.—

"What d'ye ask,—what d'ye ask?"

Trip regained his self-possession at this question, which looked like business; and, considering for a few minutes, answered—

thirty pounds a year.
"How much? how much?" demanded "Thirty pounds, my lord."
"Thirty pounds!" exclaimed Lord Eardley, in affected amazement, "make it guinmy lord, rapidly.

burned on Tuesday, and four of its inmates perished. There were 15 families in it, numbering 75 persons.

swered it, "Let out this 'gentleman!" he's too good for me ." and then, turning to a vis-

puppy !-- soon sent him off, soon sent him POSTAL AFFAIRS-IMPORTANT CHANGES .-

I had performed the task but yesterday, and Horticulturists and pomologists will be glad to learn that by the new postal arrangements passed at the late session of Congress seeds or quite young; that is, they were three weeks old, and I just ten years, when first I put the packages, and are to be charged with postage up where slavery prevailed, and surrounded a plot for revolutionizing those states, and yoke upon them. Boy as I was, I had to at the rate of one cent an ounce when sent make my own yoke and bows. My yoke was under 1,500 miles, and two cents an ounce made from a piece of 4 by 4 scantling, and | when sent over that distance. The package

iter, who was much amused, said, as the

man made his exit, "Conceited, impudent

bor, who was a mechanic, and then practised | The postage on letters conveyed in the mails | that sense the term "abolitionist" was an making more or less of ox yokes and bows, from any point east of the Rocky Mountains showed me how to mark and cut out my | to any State or Territory on the Pacific coast, yoke, and how to bend and fit my bows, but | and from at y State or Territory on the Pacific both himself and my father would give me | coast to any point east of the mountains, has | no farther help, saying that if they let me do the work myself, I would know how to do Heretofore letters conveyed by the Isthmus the next; but that if they did the work and | routes have been subject to the ten-cent rate, let me look on, my boy mind would get no | while those carried overland between Missou- | States, and that it ought to be exercised, -

The act empowers the Postmaster-General lows since; and that, too, without any age stamps impressed thereon, combining in its abolishment. There have never been many one both a sheet and an envelope

Another section requires that letters which angry I got ; how my father looked quietly | months after the date of the advertisement ; miniature oxen; but then he checked me in | ters are especially marked to be retained for my anger and sent me to school, with the a longer period. This provision shortens the promise, the next day to show me how to get at the office of delivery about one month.— protection of slavery. The definition of an The unclaimed money obtained from deadand with my father's assistance I got my letters is to be applied hereafter to promote Messenger meets the want of that sort of polanimals together in one corner of their pen, the efficiency of the dead-letter office, by proand by patting them soon had them so quiet viding for a more careful examination and iticians exactly that I could lay the yoke, without its bows, the return of a large number to the writers. "An abolitionist," it says, "is any man who

on their necks; next I got my bows, and by We observe, also, a change in the rates of does not love slavery for its own sake, as a divine No, thank you. I will wait until we are steady patting and constant cautions from postage on what are technically called ship home," with a reguish smile. "I shall have my father to keep my temper, I soon man- letters-that is, letters that come by occasionaged to get them around their necks and al packets or vessels, and not by the regular and I pictured her standing beside the old mill wheel, her hat hanging by its azure strings, her hair in beautiful confusion, her hands full of blossoms (for of course the hands full of blossoms (for of course the cardinal flowers had lured her hither,) her cardinal flowers had lured her hither,) her shocked to be the could not help it. We drove the whole earth, as a fastened into the yoke. Next I tied their tails together, and left them for school. At the law, the postage on a single letter of this shocked, but I could not help it. We drove home in profound silence. At the door of them from the yoke, by taking out both bow pins at the same time, being careful, illar letter by the same vessel, to be forwarded to beg her pardon, and bow pins at the same time, being careful, illar letter by the same vessel, to be forwarded with the law, the postage on a single letter of this shocked, but I could not help it. We drove hands full of blossoms (for of course the home in profound silence. At the door of them from the yoke, by taking out both bow pins at the same time, being careful, illar letter by the same vessel, to be forwarded to be the Christian silvery with this love is an abolitical. however, not to let the bows drop, for that | thousands of miles further through the mails, would frighten them. The next day I | the postage was but five cents. The rate is yoked them again, and without help, tied | now to be five cents when delivered at the and left them as before. The third day after port of arrival, and the ordinary postage. Price, Esq., of Baltimore, expressing his reof leaping across the stream to her rescue, fishing with old Keyes, the first time for many yoking I let them out of their pen into a with two cents added, when the letter is to newed determination not to call a state con-

FOR HER LOVER.—The correspondent of the N. Y. Commercial says: "Among the aption, my lord," said the gentleman, bridling plicants last week was one from a young up his head. up his nead.

"Ob, do ye, do ye," replied Lord Eardley,
"I keep no 'upper' servants; all alike, all

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"The horizont of the appointment being made the the event of the appointment being made, the two would be united and made happy, and

not understanding its application to the pres- dollars. Shaw had lost a leg by a railroad from Beston by the Central route was four ital reply, a copy of which has accidentally dollars. Shaw had lost a leg by a railroad from Beston by the Central route was four ital reply, a copy of which has accidentally accident, and his friends having raised the hours in reaching Lowell, with three engines, ent subject.

'I mean, my lord, 'explained the man, 'what shall I be expected to do if I take the singhad come on to Chicago, for the purpose.—

but after that came along without much had come on to Chicago, for the purpose.—

My Dear Sir—If you have got a sor At the hotel the men and woman entered his but were subsequently arrested, not, however, until, they had squandered the money.

> Professor Hayes, state assayer of Massachitsetts, says in the Boston Journal that several cases of poisoning by arsenic that he has no ticed have been occasioned by a particular color used in the wall paper, and known as schweinfurth green. This color is also extensively used in the green paper for boxes, cards, and artificial leaves and flowers. The most dangerous use to which it is applied, however, is for the coloring of confectionary. For paper it is selected on account of its brilliant hue, and for other purposes because of its cheapness. He had seen some wall papers from which the poison, in dangerous quanti-ties could, be rubbed off with the least touch.

Station of your conduct." Well, dear testation of your conduct." I'm very glad you cat't."

A tenement house in Roxbury, Mass., was

BURLINGTON: FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 29, 1861.

WHAT IS AN ABOLITIONIST?

It used to be supposed that to wish for the abolition of slavery everywhere in the world, was humane, and christian, a most proper wish for all men-even for these who, brought | the government has received information of by its evils, feel unable to see the way out that at the head of the conspiracy are severof them, but who nevertheless hope the time al prominent Democrats. may come when their successors will. In honor to any man.

Politically, the term "abolitionist" was applied in this country to those who claimed that there was a power in the U.S. Government to abolish slavery, even in the several correct idea of the how; and that, in making | ri and California were only subject to the | some too, claiming that the evil of slavery is so great that no constitutional objection! o procure and furnish letter-sheets with post- ought to stand for a moment in the way of to take this ground, and those who differed have been advertised shall be returned to the from them could honor the feeling which prompted the opinion, though they could not adopt the opinion itself. But gradually the rabid Democracy came to apply the term man who stuck at complying with all the demands of the South for the extension and abolitionist given in the Southern Literary

institution; who does not worship it as t e corner.

had never thought of before.

Superintendent of the work, putting a thousand or two dollars in bank for me to check on. I get you to appoint my brothers in-law chief engineer. I appoint two of my brothers assistant superintendents, and my brothers in-law appoints two of his brothers assistant of silver or silver plated, were found lately "That child is crazy," said she. "What and transling in up hand, saily inflamed and transling in up hand, saily inflamed and rapidly swelling. I dispatched Mrs. Keyes for wornwood and vinegar, and vanished only a veil of long, rich, black hair, escaped from fillet and count, and running wide over Miss Georgianne's face and the red and green bed-spread. I confess to the search way, and we made dispatch the first wide of the state o when we make out a printed report of 75 pages, furnishing you a complete topographical survey of your back yard and a vast amount of statistical information with regard to the number of heasy ou are likely to have for the next 40 years. We wind up the report with the announcement that the site of the heaveop has been selected, and a call for another appropriation to prosecute the work, which we assure you will be done with "vigor." You place another thousand or two A Young Lady secures an Appointment and billiards, we get the thing covered in, and at the end of 12 months, which we very at the court of young Italy with success. and at the end of 12 months, which we very appropriately style our "fiscal year," we put you in possession of a ten-thousand-dollar hen-coop that any negro carpenter would give abundant assurance of a greatly impro-

> from Boston by the Central route was four hours in reaching Lowell, with three engines, but after that came along without much delay. The train by the Rutland route, with the Boston mail, was all day Friday belatter place at eleven that night. The storm | temptation in his way, instead of being careful and New York the snow was very deep and drift- appointed Collector. ed bad'y. On the line of the Eric Road, it boy. was the worst storm for years. Along the snow fell; at Whitehall one foot; at Boston and Northfield about a foot; at Keene, N.II.,

PERSONAL.

Hox. Isaac F. Redfield, lately Chief ustice of this State, was on Saturday admit-Justice of this State, was on Saturday admitted to the Suffolk Bar in Boston, where he in pursuit of the recreant agent, there was proposes to practice.

Goodrich & Co., who opened a shop at No. 5 Bank-Block the other day, for the sale From the Special Despatch to the Commercial Advertiser.

Washington, March 22. I telegraphed you yesterday, that rumor, were rife in the city of disaffection in the

Pacific states, and that the secret society

Golden Circle was believed to be at the bottom of the movement. I learn to-day, more authoritatively, that

It is also alleged that General Johnson and other army officers were engaged in the traitorous scheme, the intention of which was to precipitute the Pacific states into the

Southern confederacy. It is thought that the United States troops remain to serve as a basis for a Union move-

A rumor prevails this morning that the Secretary of State, in a letter to the commisoners from the Southern Confederation, will review the entire ground of the misunderstanding, with the patriotic purpose of restoring harmony.

It will close with a recommend to the people of all sections of the country to meet in national convention for a mutual understanding and arrangement.

THE WAR QUESTION .- The following paragraph from the Southern (S. C.) Guardian illustrates the means used at the South to create hostility against the North :

"In Vermont, a general order was sent recently to all the volunteer military companies, to ascer or's warming to murch on the South, and to expel all such as were not willing to do so. A few were found who refused to bear arms in a war agains their Southern brethren, but their places were han supplied by others who thirsted for the clusi-In one instance a lieutenant r signed, rather than join in so unhely a crusale, when he w s fermally presented with a wooden

fice sent to our Representative in Congress,

she would assist in attending to the Govern- Equinocrial Storm. - A heavy snow storm, Mr. Sedgwick, was one from a clergyman, ment light. Of course, the appointment was one of the severest of the whole winter, pre-ordered to be made forthwith." one of the severest of the whole winter, pre-dinate clerkship in the New York Custom House for his son, a wouth he had never had Two men and a woman were arrested in Chicago last week for having robbed Robert Shaw, a cripple, of one hundred and fifteen serious delays of trains and mails. The train serious delays of trains and mails. The train ital reply, a copy of which has accidentally House for his son, a youth he had never had

room, robbed him of his money, and escaped, the Boston mail, was all day Friday be- in the New York Custon House. He would soon hands that the incident was becoming more the Boston mail, was all day Friday be-tween Boston and Fitchburgh, reaching the half so virtuous. Still, if you are inclined to put extended as far South as Charleston. At prayerful that it may be removed from him, I will give him a letter, providing any friend of mine is and look to my arms; her husband bade me Very truly your friend, and the friend of your

-Syracuse (N. Y.) Journal.

in West Troy last week, were badly swindled by their agent who ran off with the entire proceeds of the entertainment, amounting to between thirty and forty dollars, not leaving no little sensation produced. We suppose everybody cried, "Lo, the poor Indian."

A troupe of Indians who were exhibiting

defeated in a suit he brought in New York ling without a license. The justice's decisien was given for the defendant.

containg wearing apparel and a musical insurance reach of sussition and possible insult. I could not but through the negligence of the North Atlantic Steamship Company.

containg wearing apparel and a musical insurance reach of sussition and possible insult. I could not but see from the moment of entering the State, that I had listeners, always at my heels at visers.

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LIFE IN CHARLESTON.

An English periodical, "Once a Week," article from an American of the Northern States who had had occasion to visit his relknown as the Order of the Knights of the | readable extracts.

THE SOLE TOPIC OF CONVERSATION.

The meessant recurrence to one topic of inversation, when nobody wants to controert, is one sign of the great characteristic, in my eyes, of Southern manners-the abence of repose. I am struck with this even n the society of the most languid ladies ; out I find much more of it in my morning walks with my brother-in-law. The citizens are always finding mare's nests, it seems to

Wherever I go, I see them fuming about some conspiracy, some defection or insult at Washington, some wound to their self-love, or to the dignity of the Palmetto State. On the wharves I am questioned about the intentions of the North in regard will not be withdrawn from Texas, but will to abolitionists, and when the South may expect redress from them. In the public library and any reading room, I can never get through a newspaper without hearing of the power of South Carolina to stand her ground against the assaults of a hostile North. In ne mansions we enter, the books on the entre-table, and the newspapers generally,

show the cast of the politics of the house-hold. The minority, who dread a severance from the Union and civil war, seek me, and try to learn how matters really stand in my own State, and whether we really want to crush South Carolina; and they tell me more han they dare tell their neighbors, of their freedom in reading, speaking and corres- home. The new taxation fell so heavily on ponding. At other houses, I hear these loy- the opulent citizens that they said all security alists denounced as disloyal. It is chiefly on suspicion, for the minority are extremely in-law was disposed to send my sister and tell another that they must expect no good | week, when all our plans were overthrown

should distinguish the chivalry.

After dinner in the balcony, or among the ladies in the drawing-room, I hear low-voiced A carriage was waiting in the next street communications, or loud censure of C., or D., which would convey me, sufficiently escorted, who is suspected of receiving letters from to a country station on the railway. If I Washington, or publications from the North, which should never be carried in a Southern would be mobbed, and perhaps burned, next mail-bag. The clergy and the ladies catch up such hints, and incite one another to was no charge against me but that of being exaggeration, till, at some unlucky moment, a citizen who desires nothing but to follow his own business in peace and quiet, finds her children to follow, unless public affairs himself held up to social execration for tak- should come round very soon. I was rather ing in abolition papers which ought to be amused at the anxious questions about burnt by the hangman. Then the postmas- whether she could travel sately in the free

beging most the firms to be recovered as the second process of the The President has made an admirable selection in the Hon. George P. March, as mister to Sardinia. Mr. Marsh's literary talents have made him widely known, and during his residence at Constantinople in an official capacity, he did very much to promote the estern entertained for our country by the Tarks. The importance which recent events in Italy give to the post to which he events in Italy give to the post to which he is now appointed renders his appointment to it an appropriate recognition of his abilities.

> was displeased; and they hastened to tell me Mr. Chingman replied that he had not comwhat "a fine boy" papa had in the country
> —meaning a capital fellow who could do
> any thing. This is a story one hears in almost every house. Every family has, or has possessed, a singularly able negro, who is Mr. Hale said that it was so with him. boasted of by his owners and by himself as a He had corresponded neither verbally nor nonpared. In each case I believe the thing in writing, as to any steps of public policy, is true; but it is not a fact fertile in conse- or to a single appointment that has been quences. Nobody perceives that it has any made. bearing on the question of negro capacity.
> In each case, it is a phenomenon to boast of, and yet an appeal to magnanimity to admit that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. My sister that a negro can be so clever. neighbor as "ungentlemanly" for having maimed a "boy" who had displeased him. She hoped I should admit that her children had at least not suffered morally from the representative of New Hampshire, not of the should be should.

common. Of course the abolitionists were concluded to be at the bottom of it. My sister came to rouse me, and bid me dress tell him. He said this for the purpose of stay with his family while he went to do his putting himself right, and to answer frankduty. The mother dressed her children with her own hands, and did her best to quiet their alarms. They asked me what their cousins did when there was a fire, and were suprised to learn that they had never hap-pened to see one, as their mother and I had not wakened them. For this I was judged to be very remiss "because," as Lizzie sagely said, we never know what may happen.

THE COLD SHOULDER.

I paid a Winter visit to my sister, for family reasons, and I made such speed in travelling, that she could not stop me on my way, when she and her husband wished it. One of those sudden alarms, or quarrels un-Gov. Pickens of South Carolina has been der which South Carolina has repeatedly menaced secession, reached at ones such a height, that my relatives would gladly have

the stations, and by my side in the cars. Every possible endeavor was made to draw me into conversation on sectional topics; and contains a lively and apparently a truthful when I pretended to be asleep, to get some respite, I was aware that I was watched, my newspaper looked over, and the address on my hat box well scanned. When I reached atives at Charleston. We give some very | Charleston, my brother-in-law awaited me with some ostentation, and patronized me in a way more novel than agreeable. He apologised for it, as soon as we were in the car-

> atoning for having carelessly allowed me to come at such a time. He looked worn ; and not without reason. He had more duty on his shoulders than any man could get through. He took me everywhere with him, as the lesser of two evils. He was severely blamed for showing a free State man the resources and preparations of South Carolina; but he would have been more blamed still, if he had shut up a Northern man in his house, as if he was

riage, saying that it was the only way of

ashamed of him,-a spy, of course. I found myself unwelcome in most of the uses where I had been familiar before.-The "Union savers" were afraid of admitting me,-heing a depressed minority, dreading further humiliation. Two or three opportunities of private conversation showed me that they were greatly to be pitied, though I believe that a little more timely spirit would have set them fairly on their feet.-They could have stood their ground against their equals they said ; but their dread was of the "Poor Whites" by whom they were sure to be informed against and pillaged, in case of revolution.

Our letters reached us in a state which showed us that they had been read; and onging for peace and quiet, and for some | several failed to arrive, as I found when I got cautious; but I hear one man of business | the children northwards with me, the next f A., or B., who shows no loyalty to the by the arrival of a deputation who called at Palmetto flag, and none of the spirit which | night-(at night "to spare our feelings")with a recommendation from the authorities that I should take my departure immediately. morning. This left me no choice.

an inhabitant of a Northern State. Arrangements were made for my sister and

it could—in the most visionary sense—do good to the "boy." as (negro men are called to their latest day).

With the quick instinct of childhood, my nieces divined, without a word said, that I

smiles while Lizzy and Emma talk, and, as soon as we are alone, sounds me as to my admiration of their appreciation of the virment affairs would give the administration tues of dependants, and of the fine feeling great weight. He (Chingman) said, with they showed, when they spoke of a passionate | regret, that this showed a want of statesman-

circumstances amidst which they were reared! the administration and presumed he should sustain the same relations to it that the Senator would-namely, to give his cordial istration means. If the Senator wanted to know what his constituents mean, he could North Carolina propounded. He intended to support the administration where it deserves support, but when it took a course which he deemed contrary to the interests and honor of the country, it should not have his support. The President has been overwhelmed by his friends. [Laughter.] They have been thronging the avenues of the White House, to pay their respects to him, and it was supposed the same was true as to the heads of departments. It was just to himself to say that, to this day and hour, he was innocent and ignorant of what the ad-ministration intends to do. He (Hale) had not passed a word with the members of the cabinet. He had not put his eyes "on that great and leading mind (Seward)," as the Senator called him. He presumed that the President has the courage to stem all the